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Administrator Pruitt,

The attached letter from Safer Chemicals Healthy Families and our colleagues in the public health community is sent to convey our strong concerns about reports that EPA may delay final action on its proposed rules for trichloroethylene (TCE), methylene chloride (MC) and N-methylpyrrolidone (NMP) under section 6(a) of the amended Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). If these rules are delayed, more than two million workers and consumers will be needlessly exposed to serious, well-documented health risks. We urge you to keep the rulemaking process moving forward and finalize the three rules as proposed as soon as possible.

Congress overhauled TSCA last year in direct response to EPA's abysmal record in addressing unsafe chemicals under section 6. The new law removes the roadblocks to effective regulation that had stymied the Agency under the old law, which allowed it to issue just a handful of rules under section 6 in more than 40 years. Under TSCA as amended in 2016, EPA now has the tools it needs for forceful action to eliminate unacceptable chemical risks.

If EPA fails to complete its rulemakings on TCE, MC and NMP despite the overwhelming evidence of unreasonable risk, the new risk reduction authorities in TSCA will be rendered ineffective and the work of Congress and many stakeholders to revitalize the TSCA program will go for naught.

We would welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss these rules.

Best regards,

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